

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 1780-01
Bill No.: HB 709
Subject: Motor Carriers; Transportation; Department of Public Safety;
Department of Transportation
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FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
None	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
None	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

This fiscal note contains 4 pages.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials with the **Department of Economic Development–Division of Motor Carrier & Railroad Safety** assume the proposal allows electronic registration of motor carriers, authorizes a medical waiver program for intrastate commercial vehicle drivers similar to the federal program for interstate drivers, clarifies the Division's authority to share closed records with other public law enforcement agencies, and clarifies the definition of registered charter bus, establishing a unique registration for chartered passenger carriers separate from property carriers. No fiscal impact is expected.

Officials with the **Department of Transportation**, the **Department of Revenue**, the **Office of State Courts Administrator**, the **Office of State Public Defender**, the **Office of Prosecution Services**, and the **Department of Corrections** assume minimal or no fiscal impact to their agencies.

The **Missouri State Highway Patrol (MSHP)** notes that the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration already issues waivers for physical defects to intrastate drivers, and has an application process and procedures in place. As such, the MSHP assumes this proposal duplicates an existing program. Additionally, the Patrol assumes the legislation will require more carriers to obtain licenses through the Division, and will therefore affect total state revenues.

Based on the response by the Division, **Oversight** assumes any impact to state revenues will be minimal.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2002 (10 Mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2002 (10 Mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

This bill could have a direct fiscal impact on small businesses engaged in the activities regulated.

DESCRIPTION

This bill revises statutory sections under the Division of Motor Carrier and Railroad Safety relating to the power and authority to regulate common or contract carriers of household goods or passengers. The bill updates various provisions to be consistent with other statutes:

- (1) Permits the division to waive federal driver qualifications to operate in intrastate commerce. The procedures for waivers will follow the federal guidelines;
- (2) Removes the minimum 120 hours of basic law enforcement training requirement for division personnel;
- (3) Removes the requirement that the division set rates for carriers of commodities in dump trucks;
- (4) Changes the motor carrier annual license renewal date from the end of February to December 31. Anyone failing to comply with the renewal provision will be guilty of a class C misdemeanor (currently a misdemeanor);
- (5) Requires charter buses to conform to the registration provisions which apply to property carriers; and
- (6) Contains language dealing with the access and release of closed records of information relating to the safety of a carrier, cooperative agreements, and flagman warning or track-out-of-service signs at rail crossings.

This legislation is not federally mandated and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Economic Development
Department of Transportation
Department of Revenue
Department of Public Safety
 Missouri State Highway Patrol
Department of Corrections
Office of State Courts Administrator
Office of State Public Defender
Office of Prosecution Services

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Director

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